(ग) क्या इस गेहूं को प्राप्त करने के लिए भारत सरकार और कनाडा सरकार के बीच कतिपय शर्तों पर सहमति हुई थी ?

नागरिक पूर्ति और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमालुद्दीन अहमद) : (क) आशा है कि कनाडा से गेहूं की पहली खेप भारत में अगस्त, 1992 में पहुंच जाएगी ।

(ख) भारतीय खाद्य निगम ने पश्चिमी, पूर्वी और दक्षिणी जोनों में आयातित गेहूं को हेंडल करने की एक अनन्तिम योजना बनाई है ।

(ग) ठेके की सामान्य शर्तों के अलावा, किन्हीं विशेष शर्तों के बारे में कोई सहमति नहीं हुई थी ।

Export of Sugar

892. SHRI PRABHAKAR B. KORE: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is actively considering the proposal to entrust the export of sugar to more than one agency;

(b) whether Government propose to increase the price of sugar in the current year; and

(c) if so, what would be the share of producers out of this increase?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) Government have notified the State Trading Corporation of India Ltd. and the Indian Sugar and General Industry Export Import Corporation Ltd. (ISGIEIC) as the export agencies under the provisions of the Sugar Export Promotion Act, 1958. STC is handling export levy sugar to Nepal etc., while ISGI EIC is undertaking commercial exports to general currency area and preferential quota exports to EEC/USA.

(b) There is no proposal under consideration to revise the zonal ex-factory prices of levy sugar notified for sugar season 1991-92.

(c) Does not arise.

Export of Sugar by Andhra Pradesh

893. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Andhra Pradesh have sought permission to export 7.5 lakh tonnes of sugar produced in the co-operative sector in Andhra Pradesh.

(b) whether Government have agreed to the proposal; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) to (c) A reference was received from the Government of Andhra Pradesh requesting that Nizam Sugar Factory Ltd. be permitted to act as a separate agency for export of sugar. It was also suggested that this agency could collect sugar from other cooperative sugar factories for export. Export of sugar is being regulated under the proisivons of the Sugar Export Promotion Act, 1958 and the Government of India has nominated only two organisations under the provisions of the said Act as export agencies, i.e. State Trading Corporation of India Ltd. and Indian Sugar and General Industry Export and Import Corporation Ltd. In view of this, it was not possible to agree to the proposal of the State Government.

Improvement in Public Distribution System

894. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state: